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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : Jeffrey M. Friedman et al.
SERIAL NO. : 08/599,974 EXAMINER : Eileen B. O'Hara
FILED : February 14, 1996 ART UNIT : 1646
FOR : DB, THE RECEPTOR FOR LEPTIN, NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING
THE RECEPTOR, AND USES THEREOF

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated April 17, 2003, issued in connection with the above-identified Application, please consider the following remarks. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Petition for Extension of Time for five (5) months, to and including October 17, 2003, accompanied by the required fee.

REMARKS

By this Office Action, the Examiner asserts that Applicants' response of November 21, 2002 to the Restriction Requirement was not fully responsive in that Applicants did not elect a hybrid OB-R Receptor species within Group V as set forth in the Office Action of May 21, 2002.

At present Claims 1-19, 21, 22 and 24-68 are pending in the Application and Applicants have elected Group V, to Claims 21, 22, 24, 26-28, 34-48, 51, 52 and 67 in so far as they are